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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PROBABILISTIC ROUTING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of
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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 27-32 and 36-41 as follows:

27. A method of routing a plurality of nets in a region of a design layout, each net having a set of pins in the region, the method comprising: